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SUBJECT: CITIBANK DESIRE TO JOIN RP TRADE MISSION TO HANOI

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1. AN OFFICER IN THE CITIBANK MANILA OFFICE, RICHARD BERRY (AN AMERICAN CITIZEN), HAS SOUGHT EMBASSY REACTION TO POSSIBILITY OF CITIBANK SENDING REPRESENTATIVE ON PHILIPPINE TRADE MISSION TO HANOI. BERRY TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER THAT CITIBANK HAS DEFINITE INVITATION FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND THAT DFA HAS INFORMED CITIBANK IT WOULD NOT OBJECT TO INCLUDING U.S. MEMBER OF CITIBANK STAFF. ACCORDING TO BERRY, A DEFINITE DATE HAS NOT BEEN SET FOR THE MISSION, BUT HE BELIEVES IT WILL BE "BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR."

2. BERRY SAID THAT WILLIAM FARNSWORTH, CITIBANK VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF REGIONAL OPERATIONS, WISHES TO SEND BERRY, BUT IS PREPARED TO SEND A FILIPINO MEMBER OF THE STAFF IF U.S. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION WOULD "CREATE A PROBLEM FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT." CITIBANK'S COMMERCIAL INTEREST IN THE MISSION WOULD BE POSSIBLE FINANCING OF RP AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO VIETNAM; E.G., COCONUT PRODUCTS AND SUGAR, AS

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WELL AS IMPORTS INTO THE RP FROM VIETNAM.

3. FARNSWORTH INFORMED BERRY THAT A CITIBANK REPRESENTATIVE WENT EARLIER THIS YEAR WITH A HONG KONG TRADE DELEGATION TO HANOI. BERRY DID NOT KNOW IF THE REPRESENTATIVE WAS CHINESE OR AMERICAN.

4. EMBASSY OFFICER REVIEWED WITH BERRY OUT UNDERSTANDING OF U.S. POLICY WITH REGARD TO BUSINESS TRIPS TO VIETNAM (ALONG LINES PARA 3 REFTTEL) BUT PROMISED TO SEEK DEPARTMENT'S CURRENT GUIDANCE. BERRY INDICATED THAT CITIBANK IS PREPARED TO APPLY FOR THE NECESSARY PASSPORT WAIVER AND THE REQUIRED LICENSE FROM FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL OFFICE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON PROPOSED PARTICIPATION BY EITHER AMERICAN OR FILIPINO OFFICIAL OF CITIBANK MANILA IN RP TRADE MISSION TO SRV.
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